



CITY OF DOVER

CITY COUNCIL - MINUTES

Meeting Type: Workshop Session
Meeting Location: Council Chambers, City Hall
Meeting Date: **Wednesday, March 29, 2017**
Meeting Time: **7:00 pm**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Thibodeaux led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Weston, Deputy Mayor Carrier, Councilor Ciotti, Councilor Gasses, Councilor Greenshields, Councilor O'Connor, Councilor Shanahan, and Councilor Thibodeaux.

Absent: Councilor Gagnon.

Also Present: City Manager Joyal, General Legal Counsel Blenkinsop, and City Clerk Lavertu.

5. CITIZEN'S FORUM

Citizens are invited to speak on the subject matter of the Workshop. Statements shall be limited to five minutes.

Mayor Weston, seeing no one wishing to speak, closed the Citizen's Forum.

6. DISCUSSIONS

A. BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

1. SCHOOL

Superintendent Arbour gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Council regarding the School Department budget.

2. EXECUTIVE

City Manager Joyal discussed the proposed changes to the Fee Schedule. Assistant City Manager Parker gave an overview of New Hampshire SB 121, which would allow the City to charge up to \$10.00 for transportation fees. City Manager Joyal stated that the revenue generated by this will help fund the COAST Bus line, but the City has to wait to see if the Bill passes in the Senate to bring it before the Council as a proposed Fee Schedule change. He discussed other proposed fee changes: parking fee, indoor pool rates, changes in water/sewer rates, a new passport application fee, and cable franchise fees. He gave an overview to the Council regarding the Organizational Chart and position changes and additions. He said they have budgeted for a 1.2% COLA increase, and increased the longevity bonus for employees who have been with the City over 25 years. He discussed that



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the City has a guaranteed health care rate increase of 4.6%, which is much less than expected. He talked about the employees' retirement system increases. He said the Executive Department consists of his administrative staff, Human Resources, Legal Department, Information Technology, and Economic Development. He said the Departments Heads were present to answer the Council's questions.

3. FINANCE

Finance Director Lynch gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Council regarding the Finance Department's budget.

4. PLANNING

Assistant City Manager Parker gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Council regarding the Planning and Community Development's budget.

5. PUBLIC WELFARE

Human Services Director Lena Nichols gave an overview of her proposed department's' budget handout to the Council. She also gave an overview of the work her department does for the citizens of Dover.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Greenshields moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilor Ciotti.
Vote: 8/0.

All presentations have been archived with the Minutes.